

Ontario rinks tied for lead

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C. (CP) — Experience was a big factor in the Canadian mixed curling championships Sunday as returning rinks from Ontario and Northern Ontario took home the top prize to gain a share of first place with Manitoba.

Northern Ontario, represented by Roy Lund of Dryden, defeated Ken May of Saskatchewan 8-6 in the first round and then edged Lyle Davis of Lethbridge, Alta., 10-7 in an extra end to take second round.

"This is the same rink I had in the Canadian rink last year and the experience has helped," Lund said. "The other teams haven't been a little nervous."

Bob Widdis, of Ebbw Vale, Ont., who along with Lund finished in a four-way tie for fourth last year, defeated Andre Turgeon of Quebec 8-6 and Roger Goss of Prince Edward Island 8-3.

Brian White of Swan River, Man., had the only under-drafted rink following a 6-3 victory over Davis and a 10-4 pae tying of Jim Burden of Grand Falls, N.B.

British Columbia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and the Territories were all at 1-1, while Alberta, Quebec and Ontario were winless after two rounds.

In other first round games, the Territories' rink edged Lowell Goulet of Dartmouth, N.S. 6-4, and the Newfoundland rink edged Doug C. C. and Brian Mackin of Fredericton defeated Goss 8-6.

In other second round games, Saskatchewan edged Quebec 5-4, B.C. defeated the Territories 8-5 and Nova Scotia defeated New Brunswick 5-3.

Sparkes blasts Germany

PERTH, Scotland (CP) — The Canadian rink from North Vancouver, skipped by Lindy Sparkes, continued to show its power in the world invitational curling championship today, defeating West Germany 2-0.

It gave the Canadians a 2-0 record after three rounds in the tournament, making it a 11-3 triumph over France on Sunday night.

Sparkes, who said her rink was prepared for the tricky and swingy ice in the third round match against West Germany, got off to a quick lead by stealing three points in the first end.

The Canadians added four points in the third then stole a total of five points in the next four ends to clinch the victory.

Canada adapted to the ice and was generally perfect in the draw game while the West Germans had trouble with their weight.

The United States rink, skipped by Nancy Langley of Seattle, Wash., leads with a 3-0 record. At 2-0 were Canada and Brigitta Torn of Sweden.

Scotland's Betty Lindsay, and Olga Casanova of Switzerland and Denmark's Bert Larsen and Ellen Githmark were both 0-3.

In other third-round games, the U.S. beat England 2-0, Sweden defeated Scotland 5-3, France surprised Switzerland 4-5 and Denmark downed Norway 5-3. Italy had the bye.

American foursome tops field

MOOSE JAW, Sask. (CP) — Curling isn't known for commanding a whole lot of interest in the United States, but there are enclaves, mainly in areas bordering Canada, where the sport enjoys a modest popularity.

Don Barcome is from Grand Forks, N.D., one such isolated outpost, and he hopes his victory in the world junior men's curling championship will attract more U.S. youngsters to the sport.

"I would expect that this will bring more kids into curling," the 20-year-old skip said after his weekend win.

"That's where the future of any sport lies, in the kids. There are seven or eight national champions living within 200 miles of my home."

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BURNABY SOUTH CAPTURES TITLE

VANCOUVER (CP) — Burnaby South shut down Richmond's assault and used a balanced offense Saturday to win the second British Columbia boys AA basketball championship.

The Rebels, who last won the provincial title in 1953, stopped the Colts 45-47.

Going into the '6-team, four-day tournament, Burnaby South had been ranked third provincially, while Richmond had been ranked eighth.

Ward Keith, a six-foot-one guard, and Greg Wirth, a six-foot-five forward, each scored 10 points. The Rebels, who led 28-23 at halftime and 43-33 after three quarters.

Brian Craig, another six-foot-one guard, held Richmond's Alan Tait to 17 points, the six-foot-three guard's lowest total in his four tournament games. Craig also was the tournament's most valuable player.

Gladstone of Vancouver edged Parkland of Sidney 76-73 to take third place.

Ken Yengo, a six-foot-four forward paced the attack with 26 points. Forward Tony Marchese added 22 for the Gladiators, who led 38-34 at halftime.

Forward Greg Wirth, a six-foot-nine the tallest player in the tournament, scored 26 for Parkland.

Craig, Tait, Marchese, Wiltjere and Ken Klassen of Menno Educational Institute Eagles were the first team all-stars.

The Eagles were fourth, beating Magee of Vancouver 58-57 and Luchessa Park of Prince George was fifth, stopping Caledonia of Terrace 70-63.

Free skaters to move up once they earn a low placing in figures.

"This is always a controversial question," said Devere. "The world is still divided into two camps as to whether the position you're skating in there should be figured in there should be figured in there."

"Personally, I feel that only the ultimate solution to some of the problems would be to resolve the world championships on more than one continent."

SEVERAL EVENTS "In other words, you could have a European championship and a North American or a Pan-American championship, with competitors entering at least two of three and the placements of both would decide the ultimate champions."

"I think the ISU types are just as disgruntled or upset as we are. They recognize that it's getting out of hand, that some of the controls have been lost. They recognize that figures skaters have too much weight. They recognize that they never would have a few years back, a world championship should be decided on a performance on one night."

It was a performance on Saturday night that won the women's title for Frattinella, who skated flawlessly in her free program to regain the crown from East German Anni Poetsch.

Poetsch, who had upset Frattinella last year and Dagmar Lurz of West Germany were both ahead of the California skater going into the free-skating final.

Stenmark sets record FURANO, Japan (AP) — Ingemar Stenmark of Sweden made World Cup ski history today, completing a clean sweep of all 10 giant slalom races and breaking the record for most victories in a single season.

Stenmark won the season's final giant slalom by 1.26 seconds over Heidi Hemmi of Switzerland with runs of one minute, 30.71 seconds and 1:27.88 in the 1,320-metre course for a total time of 2:58.59.

Heidi Hemmi was second in 3:01.15 with runs of 1:31.07 and 1:29.08, while Jean Luc Fourrier of Switzerland was third in 3:06.15 with runs of 1:31.10 and 1:29.31.

The Whalers moved to Springfield in January, 1978, after the roof collapsed at the Hartford Civic Centre Coliseum. Whalers players agree the Springfield's smaller rink hampers their wide-open style.

Peter March and Robbie Forek each scored their sixth goal of the season as the Stingers struck for three unanswered goals in the final period.

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B.C. senior ladies record extra-end win

By DON KENDALL Daily News Sports Editor Victoria's Flora Martin moved into sole possession of first place at the Canadian Senior Ladies' Curling Championships with a 9-7 extra-end victory Sunday night over Fern Seel of Moose Jaw, Sask., at the Vernon Curling Club.

The victory left Martin with the only undefeated rink in the event with a 3-0 record. Seel is tied in second place with three other rinks with two wins and one loss.

Despite the win in a match-up of the bonspiel's only undefeated rink, Martin complained that she had trouble with the ice.

"We're still not sure of our weight," Martin, who won the national title in 1974 and 1976, needed two in the tenth end to tie the game, then stole two in the eleventh. In the extra end with Martin tying, two, Seel was successful on her first take-out shot but was wide with her second rock.

In other third-round games, Beverly Reber of Whitehorse defeated Jean Beardsley of Ottawa 8-7, Dorothy McKenzie of Kelowna defeated Carmel McGroarty of Vancouver 10-7.

Goals, all on power plays, for the first time in his career to carry the Penguins past the Rangers and give Pittsburgh a two-point edge on third-place Los Angeles in the Norris Division.

RAISES TROTTIER Bryan Trottier, the NHL points leader with 118 on 44 goals and 74 assists, scored New York's first goal and set up the game-winner by John Tonelli as the Islanders retained their two-point lead over the Canadiens in the overall points race.

Bob Gainey scored twice and Steve Sturt only the third in the last 10 games as the Islanders beat Montreal 6-2. In other second-round games, Seel beat Beardsley 9-2, Bloomer edged Tibon 7-5, and Crawford trounced Reber 14-6.

The six-day event continues today with the fourth draw scheduled at 2:30 p.m. and the fifth draw at 7:30 p.m.

Martin's opposition today will be provided by Reber and Alice Crawford of Calgary.

Standings in the Canadian senior women's curling championship after the third round Sunday:

Rank	Team	W	L	T
1	Seel	3	0	0
2	McKenzie	2	1	0
3	Reber	2	1	0
4	Beardsley	2	1	0
5	Tibon	1	2	0
6	Crawford	1	2	0
7	Reber	1	2	0
8	McGroarty	1	2	0
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Broad Street Pacifists play penalty-free game

By THE CANADIAN PRESS The Broad Street Pacifists' game was a penalty-free affair. It's doubtful the name will catch on, especially since Philadelphia's rink remain the National Hockey League's most penalized team.

Philadelphia played a close checking game and I felt they should have been called for at least one penalty during the game," he said. "Particularly when Rick Macleath tripped Wayne Babych in the last seconds of the game."

Referee Dave Newell was hardly tough on the Blues either, calling them for only one infraction.

A week ago in the City of Brotherly Love, the Flyers and Los Angeles Kings combined to set 10 NHL penalty records.

On Saturday, the Islanders dumped the Rangers 6-2. Pittsburgh carried the Flyers to Sunday's win, handing rookie goaltender Robbie Moore his second win in as many starts.

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